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TRANSISTORS WITH AN ETCH-STOP LAYER)
HAVING AN IMPROVED RESIDUAL STRESS)
LEVEL AND METHOD FOR FABRICATING)
SUCH A SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE)

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